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GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., SUNDAY MORNING, JANUARY 31, 1892.

PRICE FIVE CENTS.

## GAVE TO THE POOR

Charitable and Kindly Ones  
Lend Substantial Aid

## TO THE SICK AND DESITUTE

The Herald Relief Fund Springs Into  
Grand Proportions in a Day—Mr.  
Frye's Visit to Many Homes.

It was not in vain.  
The appeal of the Rev. W. A. Frye for relief for the poor met with a response so generous, so spontaneous and so prompt that it completely surprised him. The Herald itself was surprised at the quick response of its patrons.

Early yesterday morning the readers of THE HERALD began to reach themselves. The first donation received was an order from Hayman & Co. for fuel to the value of \$5. Then John Peck of Peck Bros. handed in a check for \$10. This was followed by a cash donation of \$20 from John Otte of the American Steam Laundry. Other cash donations and orders came in until the total received amounted to over \$60.

Early in the morning too, bundles of clothing and baskets of provisions began to arrive. At noon the reporters' quarters resembled a warehouse. Piled up on tables and desks, and under them, were all sorts and descriptions of garments from a baby's bib to a man's ulster. Great welcome appearing baskets of potatoes were sandwiched in between baskets of meat, onions, bread, groceries and canned fruits. The reporters gladly extemporized places upon which to write, while the attaches of the business department were busily and cheerily receiving the donations and entering applications for relief.

## List of Contributors.

The following donations were made to THE HERALD'S Relief Fund yesterday:

John Otte, cash	\$20.00
Peck Bros, cash	10.00
Hayman & Co., order for fuel	5.00
Mrs. Francis E. Pierce, cash	5.00
W. R. H., cash	5.00
THE HERALD, order for groceries	5.00
A lady friend, cash	2.00
A friend, cash	2.00
A lady, cash	2.00
A lady, cash	2.00
J. C. Simmonds & Sons, cash	1.00
W. H. Lampman, cash	1.00
Wm. McElin, cash	1.00
C. W. Hatcher, cash	.25

Total, \$62.25.  
Adam Her, basket of meat; W. R. Compton, shoes, clothing, etc.; George Mackintosh, clothing; O. White, potatoes; A. H. Bennett, potatoes; S. Henry, potatoes; R. E. Thompson, clothing; H. H. Reynolds, clothing; S. S. Bates, clothing and provisions; Mrs. J. P. Reed, clothing and provisions; Mrs. O. White, clothing and provisions; Mrs. A. J. White, clothing and provisions; Mrs. Jones, clothing and provisions; Mrs. Wyle, clothing and provisions; Mrs. Smith, clothing and provisions.

Mr. Frye Was Pleased.  
When Mr. Frye came to the office at 10 o'clock a smile of pleasure rippled across his features. He saw two wagon loads of supplies piled up before him, and his heart beat fast and glad.

He did not need to ask what success had crowned Mrs. Hixson's call. It was before him in the confusion of bundles and baskets filled with things to wear and things to eat.

"It is a grand work," he simply said. "Grand because it will relieve the necessities of the poor. It is a grand work without further ado, a horse and wagon were ordered from the American Parcel Security delivery company, the use of which, together with an employee who could speak English and other languages, was generously donated by the company. The wagon was quickly loaded, and the Rev. Mr. Frye and the driver departed on their first trip. A second trip was also made. The cases of distress relieved are as follows:

**Picture of Poverty.**  
The first case was that of an old lady living on Bridge street. She came to this city some time ago from Kansas. She is perfectly dependent, and was entirely destitute when relief came to her.

The second case was that of a family living on the same street. The husband has been sick for some time and the family had none of the bare necessities of life. They were suffering for food, medicine, fuel and clothing. Relief came to them like sweet manna from heaven.

The third family visited was as unfortunate as the second. The husband and wife both had been sick. They were out of food and their clothing was insufficient to protect them even when the weather was mild. Provisions were given to them and they were comfortably clothed.

At the next house an old man told the committee that there had not been a single mouthful of food in the house to eat since the night before. He was suffering from the pangs of hunger and had not the remotest idea where he could get a crust to eat. His clothing was thin and ragged, affording scarcely any protection from the cold. It would have been hard to conceive a more destitute condition. He cried like a child when food and clothing were given to him.

The sixth family visited consisted of a widow and two children. They had nothing to eat, few clothes, and were suffering with the cold. Their complete destitution was so evident that it could have been perceived even by a director of the poor. They were supplied with clothing, bedding and provisions.

The seventh family consisted of an old lady and two children. They had little bedding, only a few sticks of wood remained, and food could not be found in the house. They were made happy by receiving sufficient bedding

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One very significant feature of the late committee meeting was the absence of the Cleveland element. It is believed by many to be well settled that Cleveland is a safe-tracked and that Gorman or Hill will be nominated. Our own great and good Gov. Winans, when heard, expressed himself as strongly in favor of Gov. Boies of Iowa as the Moses who could lead the democratic party on to victory. Of one thing all may be assured, and it may be well for the republicans to remember it, and that is that Hill, Gorman and Bruce will not let any personal ambitions stand in the way of party success. If, after a careful survey of the situation, it is concluded that neither Hill nor Gorman would prove the strongest candidates some other man will be put up and nominated. These three "tin gods" have the machine entirely under their control, and what is more they are possessed of the requisite brains to run it. What this means everyone knows.

## SINGULAR FATAL EXPLOSION.

Two Men Killed While Working in an Excavation for a Cistern.

CAVE CITY, Ky., Jan. 30.—A mysterious explosion here caused the death of Seth Williams and Moses McClelland. While digging a cistern they came to a flat rock eight feet below the ground. Williams struck the rock with a sledge hammer, causing a terrific explosion, which hurled Williams fifty yards and buried McClelland under a great mass of rock and earth. The former was killed instantly. The latter lived only long enough to tell the story of the remarkable explosion. A considerable bluish vapor with sulphurous smell now issues from the exploded rock.

## BOARDED BY OUTLAWS.

High-handed Outlawry of a Gang of Seven Bold Men.

NEW BRIMEX, O., Jan. 30.—The train crew on an extra through freight on the Lake Erie & Western road had a thrilling experience this evening. Just as the train was pulling out of Portland station, desperate-looking men boarded the caboose and took possession, defying the crew. They made prisoners of the trainmen, and ran the train to suit themselves. When the train pulled into Lima it was brought to a standstill. The outlaws arrested. Their bold action caused consternation among the crew as the freight train was only a short distance ahead of the extra and a collision seemed inevitable.

## ELMER HUSTED DIES.

His Injuries Received at the Hands of a Mob Prove Fatal.

POTSDAM, Mich., Jan. 30.—Elmer B. Husted, aged 59 years, died at 6 o'clock this evening of injuries sustained in a brutal assault upon him by a party of Swedes Thursday night as he was coming home from his barn. He was one of PotSDAM's best citizens. No cause except the men had been drinking heavily. They were removed in the county jail at Harbor Springs before Mr. Husted's death, owing to the intense excitement over the affair. In one corner of the jail a wife and daughter to mourn his untimely death.

## Gets a Small Fortune.

CHARLOTTE, Mich., Jan. 30.—The will of the late Michael Hudson, who died several weeks ago and left no heirs, was probated today. He left an estate valued at \$10,000, to his partner and faithful friend, ex-Mayor Robinson. He left his very valuable gold watch to his old-time friend, A. L. Walters.

## Book Trust Mortgage.

BOSTON, Jan. 30.—A mortgage of \$1,000,000 made by the United States Book company, a New Jersey corporation, to the Manhattan Trust company, of New York, which covers property in publishing houses in New York, Boston, Cambridge and Chicago, included in what is known as the "book trust," was recorded today in the city hall.

## Fired on by Mexicans.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Jan. 30.—While a troop of Texas rangers, under the command of Sergeant Robinson, were marching near Palto Blanco ranch yesterday they met a squad of six Mexicans, who fired a volley at them and then fled. The fire was returned by the rangers. No one was hurt. The Mexicans all escaped.

## Simpson Outchecked.

GRAND LAKE, Mich., Jan. 30.—Arnold Watson, a pioneer of Grand Lake, has been married about sixty years and was buried the other day in the same rocks he wore on his wedding day. Mrs. Thomas Watson, Mrs. Brann, Alexander Simpson, all past four score years, have died recently at Grand Lake.

## Takes a Rise in the World.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 30.—Frank W. Brock, shipping clerk for the Wash. & Puget Sound company for the past two years, resigned his position today. He leaves for Chicago this evening to accept a position in a railroad office.

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## JUSTICE BRADLEY'S SUCCESSOR.

In All Probability It Will Not Be Attorney General Miller.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—The death of Justice Bradley creates the third vacancy on the supreme bench since President Harrison's inauguration, and speculation is rife as to who will take the distinguished justice's place. Probably there was no one of Justice Bradley's associates so learned in the law as Mr. Justice Brown said to me a few weeks ago, in speaking of him, that he was in all the most profound lawyer he had ever met. That he knew of some lawyers who possessed in a certain degree the learning of Justice Bradley, but he never saw any one before who was so thoroughly grounded, and intimate with every cranny of it as he. It will be hard to find any one who can take his place.

## Shook the Whole Town.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 30.—Cahokia, a village four miles south of East St. Louis, was the scene of great excitement early this morning. The people were awakened by a dull, heavy sound, followed by the trembling of the earth, and without dressing themselves the residents rushed from their dwellings in great alarm. No repetition followed and the shivering residents sought their beds. This morning, it was learned that the Camille Iron dynamite factory, a mile south of Cahokia, had blown up. The explosion is attributed to spontaneous combustion. No one was killed. Five thousand pounds of dynamite were exploded, wrecking everything in the neighborhood of the factory and digging a deep hole in the ground.

## Drowned in a Race.

BETHANAS, Mich., Jan. 30.—About noon yesterday, Nellie, the 4-year-old daughter of George Anderson, was playing with her hand sled and slid into the mill race, where she drowned before help could reach her. The hand sled was carried over the dam and the girl was thrown overboard. Thursday evening a coasting party ran into team, severely injuring Miss Maud Winn and a little sister, tearing a large portion of scalp loose from the forehead of the son of Lafayette Murray and injuring one or two others. The previous evening another of the Winn girls had her arm broken while coasting. Cross Weldon had his nose broken and face generally disfigured, and a 12-year-old boy, his face so cut as to require the doctor's aid.

## Very Good Story if True.

CHICAGO, Jan. 30.—A story was circulated around the county board rooms today that a man was taken to the county hospital last Wednesday evening and died. The man was a Jew and was in a white sheet and placed upon ice in the morgue. In the morning, so the story said, the morgue keeper was surprised to find the supposed corpse sitting bolt upright, and making philosophical smoking a big corn-cob pipe. He complained bitterly, it was claimed, because he hadn't been provided with a warm seat. Warden dealt pronounced the whole matter a lie, and said it was a story told by some employee to get even with the management.

## She Shot the Burglar.

GREEN FALLS, N. Y., Jan. 30.—Della, the seventeen-year-old daughter of William C. Trudeau, Thursday night heard a noise in the shed connected with the house. Her father had that afternoon drawn out of bank a large sum of money and Della at once loaded her father's gun and went to the shed, just as the door of a burglar entered from the outside. The plucky girl fired and probably hit the would-be burglar, as blood was found in the snow leading from the house for some distance.

## Dr. Nelson Seriously Ill.

KALAMAZOO, Mich., Jan. 30.—The Rev. Dr. Theodore Nelson, president of Kalamazoo college, is lying very ill at his home here. Consultations of physicians from the city and from Ann Arbor pronounce his condition very serious, and it is thought that he will have to undergo a painful surgical operation. The college is in a very precarious condition under his presidency and pupils and teachers held him in highest esteem. Profound regret is expressed by all at his alarming condition.

## Eight Persons Hurt.

BUFFALO, Jan. 30.—The passenger train on the New York Central, leaving Niagara Falls for Buffalo at 9:11 this morning, was struck by a freight engine near Tonawanda. A passenger car and the smoking car were overturned, and the steam pipe on the engine breaking the hot steam poured upon the imprisoned passengers. No one was seriously injured, though eight persons were slightly hurt. The tracks were soon cleared and traffic resumed. The blame seems to rest with the crew of the freight.

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"Manistee is just as it always is—lively as a bull pup. You can see people on the streets almost any time of the day. Great town!"—and the senator relieved himself of a huge grin. "But as a matter of fact," he continued, "business is very lively. No one could reasonably hope to have it better. Arrangements are rapidly being completed for handling that Lackawanna freight. There are hundreds of cars of it on and during the time of the lake, awaiting transportation. Manistee isn't going to be laid out on the deal. It is true that Frankfort will handle some of the freight, but only a part of it. It is impossible for either the Manistee or Northwestern or the Frankfort & Southeastern road alone to handle all that freight. It has been all the Flint & Pere Marquette road could do to handle it, and that has left freight enough after the company's freight service to Michigan. Both roads will have all they can do to handle the freight, so there is no occasion for any hard feeling over the matter. Of course we want to see the Manistee and Northwestern do well in this business. We have a very warm feeling toward the road, for it has done a great deal for Manistee. In one respect it has almost made the town. For a long time the F. & P. M. didn't carry much for us, and during that time the Manistee and Northwestern helped us out a great deal. We haven't any fault to find with the F. & P. M. city, now, however. Under Mr. Baldwin's management it is doing everything it can for the benefit of Manistee. It has taken off those stock cars that it used to run there, and has given us first class cars. About two weeks ago, it put another train on, to leave Manistee at 4:30 and connect with the West Michigan at Baldwin, so we can get down here at 9 o'clock. There isn't but one thing more that we want, so we won't have to change cars here and wait around the depot two or three hours. I think Mr. Baldwin will put that on in the spring, and when he does, the F. & P. M. has done all it can do for the accommodation of Manistee."

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## SUNSET OF A LIFE

Harford J. Perkins Enters the  
Shadows.

## AFTER HAVING RUN HIS COURSE

Which Was Marked by Wide and Varied Business Success and an Upright, Pious Career—His Death.

A Christian and a church worker from the cradle to the grave; an active and exemplary business man from youth till the increasing weight of more than three score years and ten made it advisable to roll the burden of financial cares on his sons, who were his co-workers.

Such in brief is the biographical history of our sketch—the late Harford Joseph Perkins.

There are many reasons why brass bedsteads should be used instead of wooden ones. The principal one, perhaps, is the sanitary reason. There can be no question but that iron or brass bedsteads are much more healthful than wooden ones. They are practically germ and germ proof, two elements that must be considered in the general use of furniture. Then there is the artistic side of the question. Brass furniture can be draped and fitted up in countless ways, and the artistic effects produced are very interesting.

## Lobby and Register.

L. B. Long, of Manistee, manager of the Manistee Manufacturing company, is at the New Livingston. He is in the city looking after the company's freight service to Michigan. Both roads will have all they can do to handle the freight, so there is no occasion for any hard feeling over the matter. Of course we want to see the Manistee and Northwestern do well in this business. We have a very warm feeling toward the road, for it has done a great deal for Manistee. In one respect it has almost made the town. For a long time the F. & P. M. didn't carry much for us, and during that time the Manistee and Northwestern helped us out a great deal. We haven't any fault to find with the F. & P. M. city, now, however. Under Mr. Baldwin's management it is doing everything it can for the benefit of Manistee. It has taken off those stock cars that it used to run there, and has given us first class cars. About two weeks ago, it put another train on, to leave Manistee at 4:30 and connect with the West Michigan at Baldwin, so we can get down here at 9 o'clock. There isn't but one thing more that we want, so we won't have to change cars here and wait around the depot two or three hours. I think Mr. Baldwin will put that on in the spring, and when he does, the F. & P. M. has done all it can do for the accommodation of Manistee."

## James Cook of Jackson, C. F. Ballard of Lansing and W. Fitzgerald of Saginaw were among the Michigan arrivals at the New Livingston yesterday.

G. A. Magoon and C. H. Kimball, of Muskegon, were at the Morton yesterday. They were out to the influential and chilly citizens of the "Saw Dust" city.

## Judge M. Brown and M. P. Gale, president of the Northern National bank of Big Rapids, arrived at the Morton last night.

John N. Polk, a Lebanon, Ky., furniture dealer, and F. Guze, of the Milwaukee Motor Furniture company, are guests at Sweet's.

## E. O. Javell of White Pigeon, Geo. Roberts of Grand Haven and H. M. Lee of Nashville arrived at the Clarendon yesterday.

E. E. Palmer of Kalamazoo, Martin Benjamin of Williamston, and B. F. Colver of Muskegon are registered at the Eagle.

## His business ability developed at an early age.

His uncle (Almon Dean) appreciating his worth, placed the entire control of his large mercantile business at Owego, N. Y., under his sole management, while he was still in his teens. Prosperity attended his efforts, and eventually he purchased his uncle's entire business. Then having a well established income assured, he very thoughtfully provided for his future happiness by selecting a help-mate.

## Took to Himself a Wife.

His choice was Harriet M. Parsons of Berkshire, New York, to whom he was wedded March 1, 1848. By their union there were eight children born to them—seven sons and one daughter, of whom there are at the present four sons living. It was a pride and comfort to him to see them all established in business through his efforts, prior to his decease.

## His eldest son, Charles E., being associated with the two younger sons, Harry J. and Fred L., in conducting a sawmill and lumber business at Aberdeen, Washington, while Willis J. continues the mercantile business founded by his father in 1875 at Grand Rapids, Michigan, which industry bears his name, Perkins &amp; Co., and in its development his every thought and care have been centered for the past seventeen years.

## His price and ambition was to add to the number of his employees, that thereby he might become a benefactor to many; the obligations so delicately placed on the shoulders of the young man, received a momentary acknowledgment from them on his last journey by their marching in a body as an escort.

## Pioneer in Pennsylvania.

In 1852, desiring to expand his business, he moved from Owego, N. Y., to Cogan Valley, Lycoming county, Pa., where he had already invested largely in timber lands, on which he erected a lumber and shingle mill. For a time he depended on supplying local demands, but his rapidly increasing business necessitated an outside market, and he joined with several others in completing a plank road some thirteen miles long to the Erie canal, thereby opening up a Philadelphia market.

## That he was a pioneer in that section is best evidenced by